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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (IFAD):
RATIFICATION, TOP MANAGEMENT, SITE AND VOTING PROCEDURES

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1. EMBOFF WENT OVER POINTS CONTAINED REFTELS (A) AND (B) MARCH 11 WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICE DIRECTOR FOR MULTILATERAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION MINGAZZINI. MAJOR POINTS AS FOLLOWS:

(A) VOTING PROCEDURES: DURING REVIEW OF CONSIDERATIONS TRANSMITTED REFTEL (B) PARA 2, MINGAZZINI, MAKING IT CLEAR THAT HE SPOKE FOR GOI, SAID THAT GOI WAS NOT RPT NOT CONVINCED THAT PRESENT VERSION OF ARTICLE 35, PARTICULARLY PARA 3, SUFFICIENTLY PROTECTED CATEGORY I INTERESTS. BECAUSE WORDING OF ARTICLE 35 NOT YET FINALLY APPROVED, WORDING WILL BE FURTHER CONSIDERED AT APRIL PREPARATORY COMMISSION MEETING AND THUS IT WILL BE NECESSARY THAT CATEGORY I HAVE AN AGREED POSITION. MINGAZZINI SAID THAT UNFORTUNATE EXPERIENCES IN OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (E.G. ANTI-ISRAEL MOVES) HAD CONVINCED GOI OF NEED FOR ADEQUATE VOTING PROCEDURES. HE INDICATED THAT GOI CONCERNS IN THIS AREA WERE SHARED BY A NUMBER OF CATEGORY I COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY FRG, AND THAT EC-9 AT RECENT BRUSSELS MEETING OF IFAD HAD ENDORSED IMPROVEMENTS IN ARTICLE 35. IN GOI'S OPINION, STRENGTHENING ARTICLE 35 DID NOT RPT NOT IMPLY ANY DIMINUTION IN IMPORTANCE/CONSENSUS RE WHICH GOI FULLY SHARED USG VIEWS. EMBOFF OBSERVED THAT VOTING PROCEDURES WOULD BE THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED AT MARCH 17 CATEGORY I MEETING IN ROME AND NOTED THAT DEPARTMENT WOULD SEND REPRESENTATIVE TO ROME FOR MEETING.

(B) RATIFICATION: MINGAZZINI INDICATED THAT GOI RATIFIED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CATION WAS SOME TIME OFF. NO DATE WAS MENTIONED.

(C) TOP MANAGEMENT: MINGAZZINI INDICATED THAT GOI WOULD SUPPORT AL-SUDEARY'S CANDIDACY FOR IFAD PRESIDENCY. US CANDIDATE FOR VICE PRESIDENT WOULD RECEIVE SYMPATHETIC GOI CONSIDERATION.

(D) SITE: MINGAZZINI REITERATED PREVIOUSLY-EXPRESSED GOI SUPPORT FOR USG POSITION OUTLINED REFTEL (A). HE AGREED THAT DELAY IN RESOLVING PERMANENT SITE ISSUE UNTIL TIME OF FIRST REPLENISHMENT WOULD PROBABLY NOT HARM ROME CANDIDACY, EVEN THOUGH THIS WOULD MOST LIKELY COINCIDE WITH EXPIRATION OF FIRST PRESIDENT'S TERM WHICH COULD CONCEIVABLY GIVE OPEC ADDITIONAL LEVERAGE.

2. SPEAKING PERSONALLY, MINGAZZINI SAID THAT ITALIAN CANDIDACY FOR PERMANENT SITE HAD TOO LONG DOMINATED PERCEPTIONS OF ITALIAN RESPONSE TO IFAD MATTERS. VOTING ISSUE WAS MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, NOT SIMPLE AN ITALIAN

MANEUVER TO LOCK UP THE SITE. MINGAZZINI EMPHASIZED
THAT GOI ATTACHED PRIMARY IMPORTANCE TO SUCCESSFUL
INITIATION OF IFAD AND THAT ITS CANDIDACY FOR PERMANENT
SITE WAS SECONDARY. BEAUDRY

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